



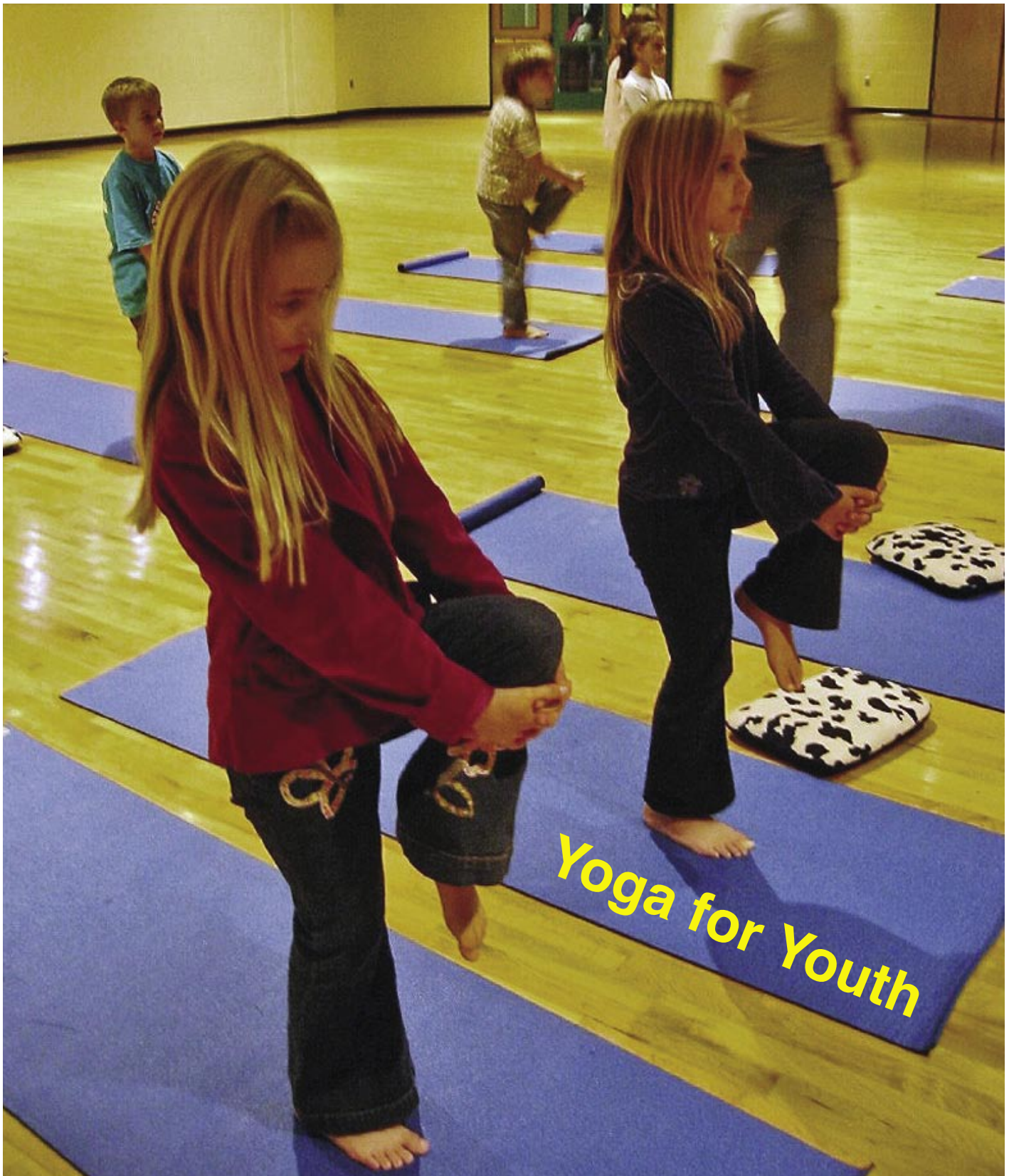
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Yoga Kids Program Benefits Area Students

Yoga Kids, Inc. recently was awarded \$4,000 in an anonymous grant to continue its mission of working with New Bedford elementary schools. Students are being taught to master self-discipline, self-esteem, and calming techniques during the school day. Executive Director Timothy Donohue feels particularly compelled to bring yoga to New Bedford students because he grew up in New Bedford himself. Teachers, principals, and parents are seeing the benefits in better student behavior and test results. Even the most challenging, at-risk youngsters are showing surprising gains.

For six years now, Yoga Kids has been working with youngsters primarily in Grades 3 through 5 in area schools. At those ages, they are old enough to grasp the lessons but young enough to still latch onto the adult mentoring that is an important motivating factor. Mr. Dennis Winn, Principal of the Ellen R. Hathaway Elementary School in New Bedford, said he has heard "very positive feedback from our staff," and that "Mr. Donohue's



Above: On March 3, the Mattapoisett Youth Baseball Association (MYBA) sponsored their first annual "Spring Swing." The event was held at Center School, kicking off the 2006 baseball season for the Town of Mattapoisett. This fundraising event gave the children of Mattapoisett an opportunity to showcase their batting skills, raise some money and have fun. This would not have been successful or even remotely possible without the participation, assistance and support of many parents and special guests. The MYBA thanks all who participated and volunteered their time.

On the cover: Students at Sippican School in Marion enjoy the benefits of yoga classes which have been sponsored at the school by the non-profit Yoga Kids, Inc. for the past six years. Teachers have noted marked improvement in students who take yoga classes as it helps them to better concentrate in class. Yoga classes in Marion are partially funded through the Marion Institute and the Upstream Foundation. (Photo courtesy of Timothy Donohue).

students have internalized their yoga skills and use them independently to refocus during class."

Mr. Winn told the story of one girl struggling with the death of a loved one. He said she "successfully used yoga techniques to help her find calm within her grief. Since learning yoga, her formerly frequent behavioral outbursts have all but been extinguished."

At Sippican School in Marion, where Yoga Kids, Inc. has worked with students for the past six years, teacher Diane Cook noted she has seen demonstrable differences in her pupils since introducing them to yoga. She added her students seem more focused and yet relaxed.

"It's amazing for all children, but particularly for a child who has an attention problem or other stressors," Ms. Cook said. "It's amazing what an effect it has had on the kids. Look how calm they are and reading quietly."



Above: Various Rochester town officials and residents gathered at the Rochester Senior Center last week to meet and greet the town's newly-hired Council on Aging (COA) Director, Sharon Lally (third from left, with corsage). Here she is seen chatting with (l. to r.) Mike Muenier, Patricia Ryan, and Police Chief Paul Magee during the event (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).

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One eight-year-old in Ms. Cook's class said he thinks he does better on tests because yoga has taught him to relax and not be afraid.

Yoga Kids combines mentoring and meditation with traditional yoga postures and breathing techniques to help youngsters gain awareness and control of their minds and bodies. Mr. Donohue talks to students about topics such as resisting peer pressure, avoiding substance abuse, violence prevention, healthy exercise and eating habits, and self-esteem building through overcoming fears, self-expression, anger management, and expanding imagination and creativity.

"This anonymous \$4,000 grant is allowing Yoga Kids to continue teaching four classes per week at Hathway (in New Bedford) so that kids can really incorporate our lessons into their lives," Mr. Donohue said. "Mainly, Yoga Kids is about helping kids to handle the stress of life early on and into adulthood. It gives them the personal skills to excel."

Similar contributions would also allow Yoga Kids to bring its lessons into schools which have been requesting them but can't afford them — like Brooks and Ashley in New Bedford. Typically, schools are better able to carry some of the budget for a program like Yoga Kids once they have piloted, tested and proven it works for them.

Mr. Donohue is in his third year working with local youngsters. He is now also working in New Bedford at Carney Academy, DeValles, Pulaski, and Holy Family-Holy Name.

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in part by several gifts from the Marion Institute and the Upstream Foundation. It receives some additional funding from federal and state grants to the New Bedford Public School District.

For more information or to make a contribution that will help Yoga Kids further expand its work in area schools with students, teachers, and parents, please contact Mr. Donohue directly at 508-748-2025. Interested parties may also arrange to view Yoga Kids lessons and speak with teachers and principals.

Local Grants

Buzzards Bay NEP Awards \$75,000

Last week at Acushnet Town Hall, Susan Snow-Cotter, Director of the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management awarded \$75,000 in Buzzards Bay National Estuary Program (NEP) municipal minigrants and support to Buzzards Bay municipalities for their efforts to implement recommendations contained in the Buzzards Bay Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.

The awards included:

- The Town of Rochester and its partner Old Colony Regional Technical Vocation High School will receive \$8,500 to remove fill from and restore a small wetlands on the High School property. This project is a partnership between the Town and the school department, and students will be involved with the planting of wetland plants at the restored site.



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• The Town of Acushnet, and its partner the Fairhaven-Acushnet Land Preservation Trust, will receive \$2,500 to conduct a baseline survey of habitat and wetlands boundaries and resources on a parcel of land that has a conservation restriction in place, but is also in part an active tree farm. This study is useful because too often protected lands are not adequately mapped or evaluated for natural resources and protected species.

• The Buzzards Bay NEP will hire an engineering firm to help the Town of Fairhaven develop stormwater remediation designs for stormwater discharges at Seaview Avenue, near the boat ramp, beach, and a closed shellfish growing area. The Buzzards Bay NEP will first work with the town to develop an agreed upon conceptual design. The value of the contract is to be determined, but will not exceed \$20,000. Any remaining funds will be rolled into a new grant round this summer.

• The Town of Marion will receive \$20,000 to help pay for the purchase of a 248-acre conservation restriction on property known as Aucoot Woods or the White Eagle property. This award is being used to help match a larger project involving contributions and grants from the Town of Marion, the Sippican Lands Trust, the Trustees of Reservations, and the state Department of Conservation and Recreation.

• The Town of Acushnet will receive \$23,500 to purchase Tablet PCs and GPS units for the communities of Acushnet, New Bedford, Dartmouth, Westport,

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Besides the grant awards, Snow-Cotter presented a certificate of appreciation to outgoing Buzzards Bay Action Committee Executive Director Leonard Gonsalves. Mr. Gonsalves, a retired high school teacher, and former Town of Dartmouth Selectman, came out of retirement to help run the operations of the BBAC for the past nine years. Ms. Snow-Cotter said: "Mr. Gonsalves' contributions proved more than part-time. We can thank Len for some important initiatives like the establishment of the free boat bilge sock program in Buzzards Bay, supporting oil spill training for town officials and updating an oil spill response manual for Buzzards Bay which was helpful during the 2003 oil spill, and for establishing the stormwater mapping collaborative program with the Voc-Tech high school that has proved so helpful to Buzzards Bay communities."



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Mattapoisett Special Town Meeting

March 6, 2006

By Kenneth J. Souza

A Special Town Meeting for the Town of Mattapoisett was convened in the auditorium of Old Rochester Regional High School on Monday, March 6 at 7:07 pm by Town Moderator Jack Eklund having noted the presence of a quorum of some 160 voters.

After a Salute to the Flag and a moment of silence for departed Town Meeting members, Mr. Eklund introduced the town officials present and also went over some basic Town Meeting procedures. He also entertained and accepted a motion to waive the reading of the articles on the warrant and agreed to refer to them only by number

and title.

Mr. Eklund said he appointed a committee to examine motions for reconsideration which have been made at previous Town Meetings. With that outcome pending, unless someone could provide a pertinent reason to do otherwise, he would not entertain any such motions during this Special Town Meeting.

Under **ARTICLE 1**, voters were asked to vote to change the current elected Highway Surveyor's position to an appointed Superintendent of Streets position, to take effect upon approval at the Annual Town Election, and to delete any reference to "Highway Surveyor" in the town's by-laws.

"This is the last phase that we have to go in modifying town government," Selectman Andrews said, referring to several recommendations made by the UMass Dartmouth Center for Policy Analysis. "Only 20 towns in Massachusetts still have elected Highway Surveyors."

Selectman Andrews noted that current Highway Surveyor Wes Bowman's salary is \$59,000 a year. He anticipated an appointed Superintendent of Streets to make anywhere from \$60,000 to \$70,000, depending on their qualifications.

"We must take strong action tonight to make sure the position of Highway Surveyor remains a voter-elected position," said resident George Randall, arguing that by giving up this one freedom, Mattapoisett voters are in danger of losing other similar freedoms.

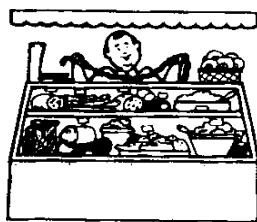
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the number of registered voters is way out of whack for an important government position," said resident Peter Hodges. "Trying to shove this into a Special Town Meeting (warrant) in March when we are just two months away from (the Annual Town Meeting) is inappropriate. I think that this has been sprung very, very quickly on this town. I know two people took out election papers under the auspices that there would be a (Highway Surveyor's) position. We shouldn't be voting on this article with 100 people in the audience."

"This Special Town Meeting was scheduled for this issue," Selectman Andrews said. "There has to be a 60-day separation between (the election) and the Town Meeting vote to change from elected to appointed. If we waited until the Annual Town Meeting, we would have to wait until next year's Annual Town Election."

"The Board of Selectmen has always supported this position becoming appointed since the (Center for Policy Analysis) report," Selectman Steve Lombard added. "This position is more involved with paperwork today. It's more a management position of men, equip-



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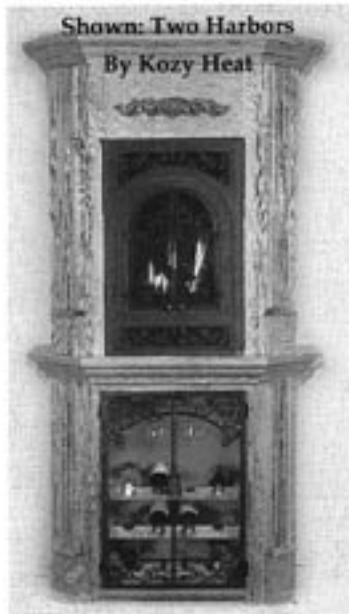
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Resident Barry Perkins moved to table the article, adding he agreed with Mr. Hodges that this matter was too important to be decided by a small number of Town Meeting voters. The motion to table passed, 127 to 37.

Under **ARTICLE 2**, voters were asked to approve a total \$46,727.98 in supplemental appropriations for FY 2006. These items included: \$50 for Longevity for the Selectmen's Administrative Assistant; \$150 for Longevity for the Natural Resources Officer; \$20,000 for a new replacement cruiser for the Police Department; \$10,000 to repair and maintain the ballfields at Old Hammondtown School used by the Recreation Department; \$9,000 to cover startup costs for an online interactive website for Town Hall; and \$7,527.98 for professional services used by the Board of Assessors.

"Two months ago I received a tax bill that floored me," said resident Brad Hathaway. "It cost me \$1,000 more (than last year). I went to the Assessors' office and was told there was a mistake. I found out that I owed \$1,400 more! I've been voting in this town for 50 years. When I started voting, Free Cash was spent to lower the tax rate, and that was it. Think about it — Free Cash. It's a misnomer. We have people in this town who have had



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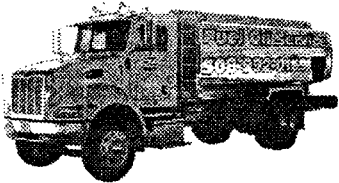
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With that, Mr. Hathaway made a motion to indefinitely postpone Article 2.

"Consider these items very carefully," Selectman Lombard said. "Can we take care of these things in May? Yes, we can. But (the police cruiser) is a piece of specialty safety equipment we need. We should do these things at this Town Meeting and get it over with."

With that, the motion to indefinitely postpone Article 2 failed, 27 to 75.

Then resident Peter Hodges moved to amend Article 2 to retain the line items for the police cruiser, the ballfield repairs at Old Hammondtown School, and the hiring of professional assistance at the Assessors' office and delete all other line items.

"I think we as Town Meeting voters need to send a message that you can't keep coming back for more, whether it's \$50 or \$10,000," agreed resident Dana Barrows. "The only legitimate item I see (in this article) is the police cruiser, which was involved in an accident. Everything else should have been (anticipated)."

"People need to understand these fields are in disrepair," said resident Tom Gamache. "I will tell you



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that \$10,000 is a small amount of money when compared to if someone gets hurt."

"We really have a responsibility to keep (these fields) safe," Town Administrator Michael Botelho added. "As a matter of fact, we are going to make this a regular (budget) item every year."

Article 2 finally passed via majority vote, as amended.

Under **ARTICLE 3**, voters were asked to adjust the eligibility limits for senior exemptions, and to increase the exemption amount by 25 percent. Eligibility income limits to be increased from \$13,000 to \$20,000 for singles and from \$15,000 to \$30,000 for married couples. Asset limits to be increased from \$28,000 to \$40,000 for singles and \$30,000 to \$55,000 for married couples. Eligibility to be limited to taxpayers over age 70, and certain surviving spouses.

Resident Dan Bungert, revisiting an idea first presented by Brad Hathaway, suggested that Articles 3 through 18 didn't contain anything he deemed "an emergency" and, therefore, moved to indefinitely postpone all the remaining articles on the warrant.

However, Town Moderator Jack Eklund said he could only make a motion on the current article being considered on Town Meeting floor.

Assessor Rebecca McCullough urged voters to consider Article 3 as it would greatly benefit seniors in town, especially those on a tight budget. With that, Mr.



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Bungert withdrew his motion and Article 3 subsequently passed, 101 to 1.

Under **ARTICLE 4**, voters were asked to automatically increase annually by an amount equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the assets certain senior citizens and surviving spouses and minors may have and qualify for an exemption under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 59, Sections 5 (17), (17C), (17C1/2) or (17D).

"This would be funded by the state, at no cost to (Mattapoisett) taxpayers," Ms. McCullough said.

Article 4 passed via unanimous vote.

"I would have to reiterate that Articles 5 through



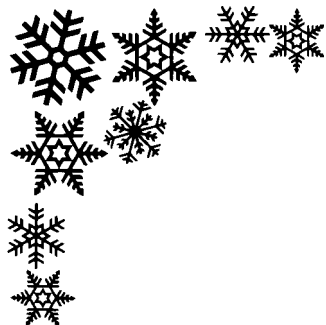
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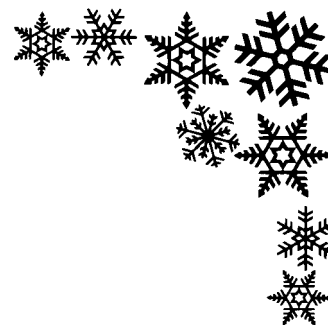
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18 are inappropriate for a Special Town Meeting two months prior to the Annual Town Meeting," said resident Daniel Bungert, revisiting his previous motion. "I move that they all be indefinitely postponed."

"I'm going to rule your motion out of order," Town Moderator Jack Eklund said. "The Board of Selectmen prepared the warrant for tonight's meeting ... and I think your message has been heard loud and clear."

Under **ARTICLE 5**, voters were asked to see if the Town of Mattapoisett will, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 4A, authorize the Board of Health to enter into an inter-municipal agreement for a term not to exceed 25 years with one or more other governmental units to provide public health services which the Board of Health is authorized to perform or take any other action relative thereto.

Resident Dan Goodman questioned whether this article would have been on this Special Town Meeting warrant if it weren't for Article 1.

"No, it wouldn't have," Selectman Jordan Collyer said. "A Special Town Meeting is for a special purpose. The fact that all these articles were on the warrant ... doesn't mean they need to be ... and it's something, frankly, I'd like to avoid in the future."

However Article 5 did pass, 89 to 1.

Then resident Brad Hathaway asked Mr. Eklund if a motion to adjourn the remainder of the Special Town Meeting to the Annual Town Meeting in May was appro-

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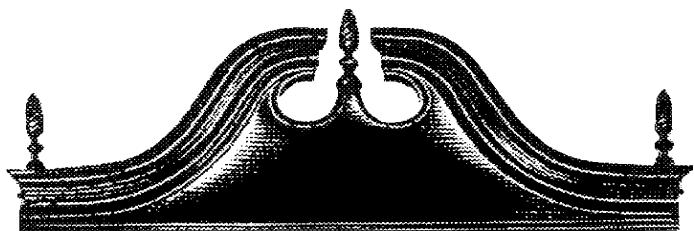


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priate, to which Mr. Eklund replied: "Yes."

Mr. Hathaway thereby moved to adjourn the Special Town Meeting which passed, 55 to 47.

The Special Town Meeting was then abruptly adjourned for the evening at 9:00 pm.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

March 7, 2006

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, March 7 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Jonathan Henry. Also present were Selectman Andrew Jeffrey, Selectman David Pierce, Town Administrator Jack Dolan, and Secretary Helene Craver.

The board first approved the minutes of the November 1 meeting (Open and Executive Session), then met with Police Chief Lincoln Miller to recommend the appointment of two prospective police officers to the Marion Police Department. Chief Miller recommended the appointment of Kris K. Smith as a student police officer and Alisha Chandler as a Special Police Officer. Mr. Smith, a Marion resident, will be appointed a full-time police officer effective August 11, 2006 upon successful completion of the Police Academy. Ms. Chandler, of Wareham, will be appointed immediately and has previously served with the Randolph Police Department and has completed all the required training.

With that, the board unanimously voted to ap-

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point both to the police department as recommended by Chief Miller.

The board next met with Department of Public Works (DPW) Superintendent Rob Zora and Priscilla Ditchfield of the Finance Committee (FinCom) for an update on improvements to the town's water and sewer lines and subsequent increases in betterment fees.

Although Mr. Zora said the majority of homeowners planning to tie into the sewer line have already made arrangements to have the electrical grinder pumps installed, there are still some that haven't done so.

"There are some stragglers who can potentially hold up the project if they don't comply," Mr. Dolan said. "So we're sending out another, stronger letter to inform

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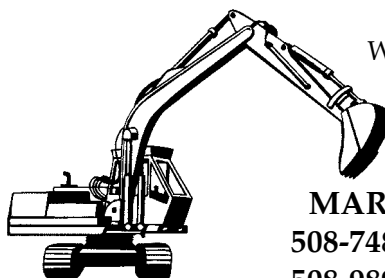
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To that end, Mr. Dolan wanted to update the board on the impact these various projects are going to have on the betterment rates.

"The betterment has a couple of different components," Mr. Dolan said. "There will be three neighborhoods we'll be doing here ... and each has a slightly different cost. For example, the 'Berry' area has to cross (a main) and the cost will be slightly higher."

Mr. Dolan said, according to state statute, once the betterment rates are determined a letter will be sent to residents to ask how they would like to pay the amount due — either in sum total, or via a payment plan spread out over the life of the betterment.

"Again, this isn't something the town has extensive experience with," Mr. Dolan said. "We have some betterments, but none of this magnitude."

Lastly, Ms. Ditchfield discussed recommended changes in the sewer rate schedule. "There is no Free Cash and now is the time to increase those sewer rates," Ms. Ditchfield said. "The change we are recommending is to add a third tier to the usage rate. There will be no change to the basic charges. The third tier would be 2500 to 5000 cubic feet, which would be \$86 ... and over 5000 cubic feet the rate would be \$124. We're asking to implement this rate change with the May bills ... we have a shortfall in revenue."

The board unanimously approved the recom-

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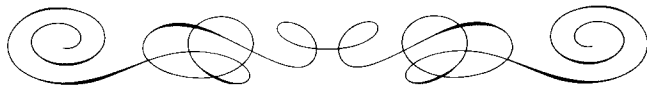


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mended changes to the sewer rates as presented.

While Mr. Zora was present, Selectman Pierce also asked about the timeframe for reopening the transfer station in Marion.

"To the best of my knowledge, the transfer station should be back online in July," Mr. Zora said. "There's been a holdup filling the back wall ... I think once the weather breaks, they'll be able to move forward and open it in July. We're running two rubbish trucks and two recycling trucks now to pick the stuff up, which is taking time and manpower away from other (DPW) projects."

Chairman Henry next advised a meeting was held last Friday during which current Board of Health/Planning Board clerk Lisa Perry turned in her resignation. With a pending petition calling for a Special Town Meeting relative to this issue, the board felt the need to revisit this matter.

"We made a presentation at the last Board of Selectmen's meeting ... which we thought was fair," Selectman Jeffrey said. "Since then, we have received a petition to call for a Special Town Meeting. I'm a little dismayed, frankly. So I guess what I'd like to do is make a modification to our proposal to see if we can't resolve this. With Lisa Perry leaving, I think it's our recommendation to move forward and fill that position, because that's something we agreed to."

The updated proposal basically mirrored the previous one — offering a 30-hour-per-week clerical position for the Planning Board on a temporary basis; to make no

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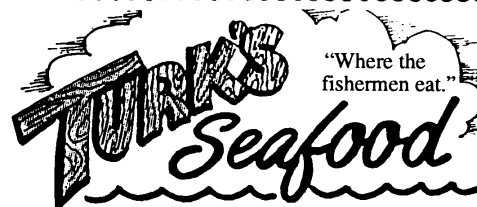
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Selectman Jeffrey asked that the Planning Board and Board of Health consider this revised proposal within 10 days and get back to them, otherwise they will revert to their original proposal to hire a single, full-time clerical position for the boards.

"I think it's time for us to go back to our original proposal," Chairman Henry said. "I suggest we rescind



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the vote (taken at the last meeting) ... because I have a deep-seeded feeling everytime we consider a counter-proposal, we put limitations on what we can do. I support combining the Board of Health and Planning Board (clerical) position."

Chairman Henry complained about an electronic mudslinging campaign which has been going on behind-the-scenes and via e-mails.

"Attempts have been made by e-mail which have served to divide the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator ... have served to divide the Town Administrator against the other people he supervises," Chairman Henry said. "This is an example of how low things can get to impugn a person's character."

Citing an e-mail from Planning Board member Thomas Magauran, Mr. Henry read: "The Town of Marion will eventually return to a consensus approach after Jack (Dolan) is gone. The only question is how many casualties will have to occur and how much pain, expense and breakage before that happens."

"I am not going to be swayed by this type of thing," Chairman Henry said, in response. "There are two agendas going on here folks. There's one being addressed in a gentlemanly manner in public ... and there's another going on behind-the-scenes."

When Mr. Magauran asked several times if he could comment, Chairman Henry flatly denied his request, saying he had the floor and control of the meeting.

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"Where is this town coming from?" asked Selectman Pierce. "Let's use reason and not emotion to make decisions."

"This is the third time that we're coming back to you and basically saying we're going to do status quo," Selectman Jeffrey said. "So there has to be another agenda going on here. We have a proposal on the table and in the spirit of cooperation, I'm hoping we can end all this."

"Every sign I see says 'full steam ahead' and 'to heck with you,'" Selectman Pierce said. "To spend hours talking about an hour and a half here and an hour and a half there is ludicrous. It seems reasonable to me to go back to the original proposal."

"I'm not in agreement," Chairman Henry said. "Based on initial information from the FinCom, we'll be anywhere from \$600,000 to \$1 million in the hole (this year). These reductions are going to have to come from somewhere. It bothers me that because of all this turmoil, we're going to have bigger issues facing us in the future. Therefore, it is incumbent upon this Board of Selectmen to do things that aren't easy."

With that, the motion to go back to the original revised proposal passed, 2 to 1, with Chairman Henry in sole opposition.

"We'll abide by the motion, but we all agree that the hours aren't the issue," Selectman Jeffrey said. "Now whatever is the issue is the critical part, and I hope we can

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"I'm a lifelong resident, I'm not a rabble-rouser," said Board of Health member Elizabeth Dunn, defending her board. "In my opinion, we needed the clerical support. We came before you without anger ... and I felt we were met with anger."

Chairman Henry next received a request from the Board of Health for \$3,000 to provide independent legal services to defend an Open Meeting Law investigation regarding a December 13, 2005 meeting as initiated by Town Counsel upon a request from the Board of Selectmen.

"We, as town officials, know what the law states," Selectman Jeffrey said. "Quite frankly, if they don't follow the law, I don't think it's the town obligation to provide



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legal services."

With that, the board unanimously voted to deny the request for legal indemnification.

Lastly, Chairman Henry addressed a signed petition which had been filed by the Board of Health, Planning Board, and Board of Assessors to call for a Special Town Meeting.

According to an opinion from Town Counsel Jon Witten, the petition calling for a Special Town Meeting was deemed to be insufficient under Massachusetts General Laws, since the full explanation calling for the Town Meeting was not included — in either full or summary form — on each of the signature pages. "Town Counsel looked at this closely and determined it did not meet the

qualifications," Selectman Jeffrey said.

With that, the board unanimously voted to reject the petition to call for a Special Town Meeting.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 10:00 pm and would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

March 6, 2006

By Eletha M. Yeaton

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, March 6 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Gary Laboa. Also present were Selectman Richard Nunes, Selectman Bradford Morse, and Town Administrator James Huntoon. Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere was not present for the meeting.

The board first approved the minutes of the February 13 meeting (both Executive and Open Sessions).

At 7:00 pm, a group of Rochester Memorial School parents and School Committee members met with the board to petition the Selectmen to place a non-binding referendum on the Annual Town Election ballot scheduled for April 12, 2006. In that way, all voters in the town would have a chance to express their wishes over the proposed full-day Kindergarten option. The deadline for inclusion on the ballot is March 8.

Donna Resmini of the Rochester School Committee urged all parents to attend the informational meetings to be held daily from March 13 through 15. Parents and school staff will then be asked to fill out a poll from March 16 to 17 to express their opinions. The School Committee will then meet on March 23 to make a decision to further examine the implementation of the extended school day based on the results of these polls.

There are as yet many questions pending from both the Department of Education (DOE), the School Committee, parents, staff, and taxpayers. Ms. Resmini reiterated that the members of the School Committee are interested in providing the best education available for the students at Memorial School.

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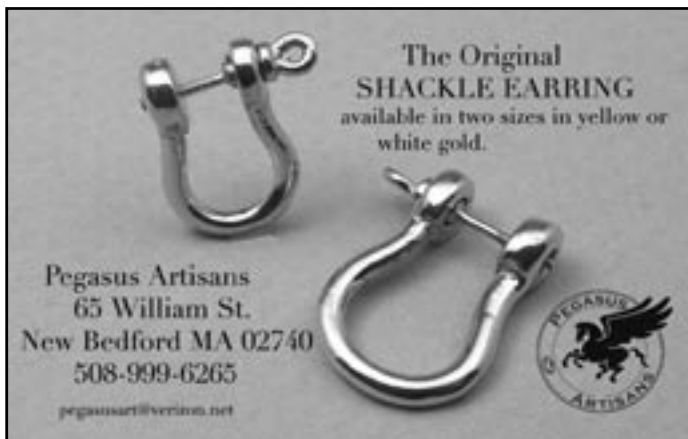
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Selectman Nunes expressed his concerns about the cost of the program and future costs if it is not funded by the Department of Education. Chairman Laboa, in answer to a parent's question, also expressed concern about the teachers' contract which is in negotiations now and the consequences if that is finalized before the plan is put into effect. In addition, he questioned the effect on additional busing, and those costs. After much discussion both pro and con, the Selectmen voted unanimously to place the non-binding referendum on the ballot for April 12.

The next item brought before the board concerned the town's proposed adoption of the Community Preservation Act (CPA). It was suggested that solid information from the Board of Assessors is needed to ascertain whether the surcharge would be worthwhile now that the town's overall total assessment is up. There is a website that contains questions and answers plus a worksheet to estimate how much money would be generated through the CPA. Noreen Hartley of the Rochester Land Trust said that most towns have the first \$100,000 of assessment exempt from the surcharge, and there may be further exemptions, for example, for senior or disabled citizens. She also suggested that the Conservation Agent and Assistant might be able to work with the Board of Assessors.

Under the CPA plan the collected surcharge on tax bills would be allocated for use of 10 percent for each area: affordable housing, conservation, and recreation. The Conservation Commission (ConCom) and Rochester

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Land Trust would like to place an article on the Annual Town Meeting warrant to vote on participation by the town in the plan. Mr. Huntoon will speak to the Board of Assessors about providing the information necessary so that taxpayers will know what the ramifications are for the town.

Under Old Business, there was no further information available concerning the Steven E. Sol property on Featherbed Lane.

Town Administrator James Huntoon discussed the progress on the new windows for Memorial School and said the bid will be received two weeks before the Town Meeting. In addition, information on the new carbon monoxide regulations will be posted on the town's website (www.townofrochestermass.com). At this point, the responsibility for installing the detectors is up to the homeowner, not the Fire Chief.

Under New Business, Chairman Laboa announced that the Selectmen would be meeting with the Finance Committee (FinCom) at 7:00 pm on March 8 at Town Hall. Furthermore, in answer to a question from Selectman Nunes, negotiations are ongoing to raise the newly-hired Council on Aging (COA) Director from Grade 9 to Grade 11 for the Special Town Meeting. A more inclusive compensation plan will also be on the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting. Chairman Laboa also questioned whether it would be advantageous for town employees to have picture IDs.

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sible funding for the playground, and surplus properties in the town followed.

Town Administrator James Huntoon then presented a written request to the board asking them to approve the buyout of his accumulated sick time, a provision of his contract. After some discussion, the board voted unanimously to approve the buyout.

Selectman Richard Nunes announced for publication that his work has assigned him to Washington, DC from April 1 through June 9, 2006. He will, however, be in frequent communication with the town by telephone and e-mail during that period.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:05 pm

Sports Shorts
By Erica Nelson

Bye, Bulldogs

The Old Rochester Regional High School **Bulldogs** said goodbye to their winter season last week as post season games came to an end. The **Boys Hockey Team** made the state tournament this year for the first time in years, and were eager to play as they traveled to Canton, MA last Tuesday night to play Blue Hills. The rink was smaller than what the team is used to, and they had trouble adjusting. Blue Hills scored two quick goals during the first period. The Bulldogs began to adjust to

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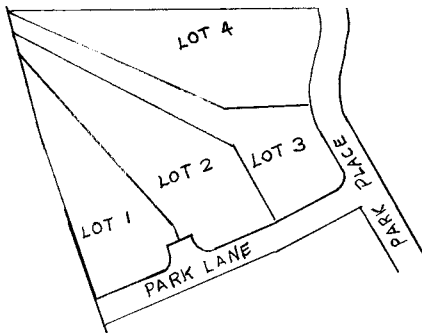
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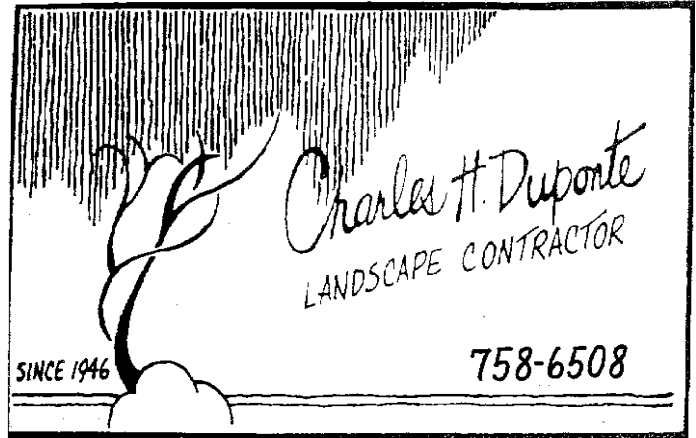


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the rink and pick up their game, with senior **Joey Frade** and junior **Tim Mathews** scoring in the second period to tie the game up 2-2.

With both teams playing very physical, penalties dragged down the Bulldogs in the third period. Blue Hills scored twice, making the score 4-2. The determined Bulldogs never wavered, scoring late in the third period to stay in the game. With 1 minute left in the fourth period, the Bulldogs took to risky moves, pulling their goalie at an attempt to tie the game. Time was not on their side however, when the buzzer went off with a score of 4-3 on the board, ending the season for the Bulldogs.

The **Lady Bulldogs Basketball Team** had better luck with their first post season game, winning their first state tournament game in their own gym last Tuesday night versus Hanover High School. Junior captain **Lauren Boiven** played very well as usual. This win fueled the team's adrenaline for the next game, which was played last Friday night away against Scituate High School. Unfortunately, the girls lost by 12 points to end their season.

Mattapoisett Recreation

Registration for the next six-week session of **Kripalu Yoga** will be held on Thursday, March 9 from 7:30 to 8:00 pm in the Center School Gymnasium. The new session will begin on Thursday, March 16 and every Thursday thereafter from 6:00 to 7:15 pm in the Center School Gym. If you have any questions or if you are unable to attend registration, please call Alice Beauregard at 508-

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Girls in Grades 3 through 8 interested in playing **Girls Softball** should sign up by March 17. Registration forms are available at the Mattapoissett Town Hall, Center and Old Hammondtown Schools, ORR Junior High School, and have been sent home with eligible players. Please mail in forms to P.O. Box 435, Mattapoissett, MA 02739.

Tri-Town Boys Volleyball Clinic will be held on March 13, March 15, March 16 and March 17 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Old Rochester Regional High School. Boys in Grades 9 through 12 are eligible to play. Two sections will be offered:

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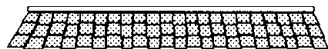
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Regatta in Marion

The **Buzzards Bay Regatta (BBR)** is back in Marion this summer. But the real news is that the regatta has asked IRC Class boats to participate in this sailing competition.

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The BBR website provides all the official information, NOR and other racing details including exciting pictures from past years: www.buzzardsbayregatta.com.
YMCA Summer Camps

Even though summer is a few months away, now is the time for parents to start thinking about ways to create a safe and enriching summer for their children. **YMCA Southcoast** is now registering for its five camp programs: **Camp Massasoit, Mattapoisett; Camp Metacomet, Dartmouth; Camp Frederick Douglas, New Bedford; Y Quequechan, Fall River; and Camp Nep-In-Nae, Wareham**. Camp spaces fill up quickly, so parents are urged to make plans now for July and August.

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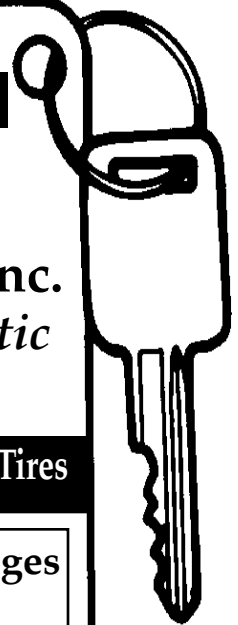
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Although we were unable to thank each of you individually — Kevin, Anders, Douglas, Kev — and I want to express our deepest gratitude for your generosity, support and ongoing prayers while Kevin heroically fought his battle with cancer. To everyone in the front lines and behind the scenes of the successful benefit dance in Kevin's honor, to the many donors for local businesses, to all in the community whose presence was there, if even in spirit ... thank you.

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the comfort in our hearts at time when the balance of sadness and joy is so fragile. The outpouring of kindness is a tribute to his memory and is healing on so many levels. It is a reflection of this community's spirit and compassion. In the words of Kevin, himself, "Act well, be well."

Sincerely,
Cheryl Zeppenfeld
Mattapoisett

To the Editor:

We were moved by the recent tribute to Billy Mee whom we knew for more than three decades.

Bill was a free spirit, loved life, loved fun, loved people, loved boats and loved the sea.

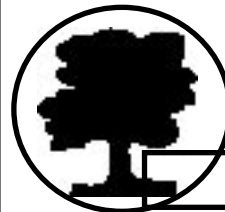
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Sincerely,
David and Jane Barker
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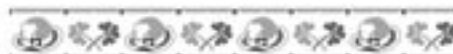
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and

- Contact information: name, daytime phone number and/or e-mail address.

Mattapoisett Boating Course

The Mattapoisett Power Squadron will present a six-week Safe Boating Class beginning Thursday, March 23 at Old Rochester Regional High School, Route 6 in Mattapoisett. Registration will be held at 6:30 pm with classes beginning at 7:00 pm. Instruction is FREE, but there is a nominal fee for materials and classroom rental. The U.S. Power Squadron's Boating Course covers inboard, outboard, sail, PWC or Paddle Power boats. For more information, please call Bill Gedraitis at 508-947-3822; David True at 508-763-5641; or Dick Fearing at 508-748-1890.

Rochester Rabies Clinic

The Rochester Animal Control's annual Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, March 18 from 1:30 to 3:30 pm at the Rochester Grange Hall on Hartley Road in Rochester. The cost of the rabies shot is \$10 per pet and the shots will be administered by Veterinarian Dr. Johnson and Animal Control Officer (ACO) Anne Estabrook.

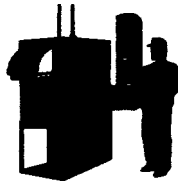
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Mattapoisett Owl Prowl

On Saturday evening, March 11, the Mattapoisett Land Trust (MLT) will sponsor another attempt to find and observe night-time predators in Nasketucket Bay State Reservation. With the expert guidance of the Mattapoisett resident Mike LaBossiere and the light provided by the nearly full moon, they will search the reservation for owls and other winter residents that are active at night.

The walk is not limited to MLT members but is free to anyone interested in learning more about these avian predators. The public and members are asked to meet at the parking lot at the Reservation at 9:00 pm. Please dress appropriately for the weather. In case of inclement weather, they will try again on Sunday, March 12. Please call 508-758-7849, or email info@mattlandtrust.org for more information.

Benefit for Rochester Man

A local man needs community assistance. Your monetary donation to the Adam Lawrence Benefit account at St. Luke's Federal Credit Union or donation of raffle items will make a positive impact in this man's life.

Adam Lawrence is a 26-year-old Rochester resident and a graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School. On December 4, 2005, a vehicle crossed the median strip on Interstate 195 and collided head-on with the vehicle in which Adam was a passenger. He sustained

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life-threatening injuries and Med-Flight transported him to Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston for emergency resuscitative treatment.

Thankfully, he was wearing his seatbelt; however, his injuries were extensive. A ruptured spleen, liver laceration, perforated bowel and fractures of the pelvis, femur and ankle resulted in hypovolemic shock and multiple surgical interventions. A subsequent tracheostomy, infections and delayed wound healing have contributed to a long, slow and, at times, rocky recovery.

Adam was a patient at Brigham and Women's Hospital for nearly eight weeks. He was in the Trauma ICU for five weeks and was on a respirator most of that time. As a patient at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, he participated in an active, aggressive physical therapy program. After being hospitalized for 10 and a half weeks, Adam was recently discharged home to continue his recuperation. He has been blessed and has overcome many obstacles but still has a long road ahead including additional surgery.

Needless to say, he is unable to work and without a source of income. Health insurance, provided by his former employer, terminated February 28, 2006. Training and re-education for a new vocation is a possibility. Help Adam get back on his feet! Fundraising efforts have begun to lessen his financial burden.

"Up and Adam" is the theme for the Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner kickoff event to take place on Wednesday, March 22 at the Sixth Bristol District Social Club, 736 Ashley Boulevard in New Bedford. Serving will be from 4:30 to 8:00 pm and tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (ages 3 to 12). Prizes will be raffled featuring theme baskets, gift certifications to local merchants and handmade specialty items.

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Sippican Woman's Club

Sippican Woman's Club members will be treated to a "Dash of Rosemary" at the next meeting scheduled for Friday, March 10 at Handy's Tavern on Front Street in Marion. The afternoon begins with a light luncheon at 12:30 pm, followed by a brief business meeting prior to the introduction of the speaker.

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Tri-Town Business Association

The Tri-Town Business Association will hold its next monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 15 at the Fellowship Hall located behind the First Congregational Church in Rochester.

The meetings which feature member speakers and presentations, begin at 8:00 am and end at 9:00 am, and bring together individual businesses, schools and residents of the Tri-Town area, giving them the opportunity to meet with each other and foster economic growth as well as enhance the educational communities of the Tri-Towns.

Ellen Justice, owner of Curves in Marion, will be the member guest speaker and Dick Woodies, President of LMI Woodies Associates in Newton, a motivation, training advisor and goal setter to businessmen and women with their companies throughout New England, will be speaking on networking.

Members and guests are invited to attend this meeting which should prove to be of interest to all local small business owners. For more information, please contact Pat Shea at 508-748-2689 or Bev Pierce at 508-763-5503.

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Rochester Congregational Church

The First Congregational Church of Rochester will host Jews for Jesus, presenting "Christ in the Pass-over" on Sunday morning, March 12 at 10:30 am. All are welcome. For more information, please call 508-763-4314, or visit www.rochestercongregational.org.

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Rochester Land Trust

Annual Meeting

It is potluck time again for the Rochester Land Trust! Please bring your favorite dish to our Annual Meeting in the Congregational Church Hall in Rochester Center on Wednesday, March 15 at 6:00 pm. We will be presenting "Business Partner of the Year Awards" and electing our officers and board members. Slim Bernier will display a model of a blacksmith shop he built and talk about what it is like to be a blacksmith.

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This is the second year that the Business Partner of the Year Awards is being made. We again have two recipients that are being recognized for their outstanding contributions.

The first award will be made to American Ref-Fuel of SEMASS who first made a leadership contribution in 2004. This was done again in 2005 with another \$10,000 contribution towards the Rounseville Homestead project.

The second award will go to Mayflower Bank, which has made significant financial and public awareness contributions to the efforts of the Land Trust for a number of years.

The Rochester Land Trust is grateful for the contributions made by businesses such as SEMASS and Mayflower Bank. They are pleased to be able to recognize these contributions at the Annual Meeting when the awards will be formally presented.

Benefit Brunch

Another spectacular fund-raising event sponsored by the Rochester Land Trust will be Brunch catered by Harriett's on Sunday, April 2 from 11:00 am at the Rochester Grange Hall. Enjoy great food and drink (champagne and OJ and Bloody Marys) while supporting a worthwhile cause: the preservation of rural Rochester. Door prizes will be awarded. Tickets are \$35 for adults with children under 12 admitted for \$10 each. Tickets are



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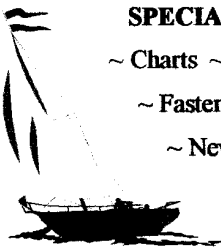
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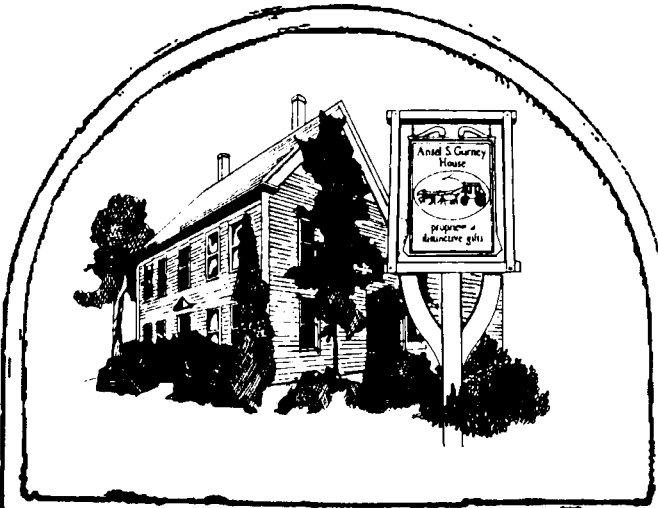
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ORR's production of *Man of La Mancha* will be performed Thursday through Saturday, March 30, 31 and April 1 at 7:30 pm; and on Sunday, April 2 at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$12 for adults, and \$8 for seniors and students. Tickets are now available at the Pen and Pendulum in Mattapoisett, the Marion General Store, and the Plumb Corner Market in Rochester. Tickets will also be available at the door. ORR High School is located on Route 6 in Mattapoisett. For additional information, please call 508-763-4727.

Voice of the Faithful

The South Coast Affiliate Voice of the Faithful (VOTF) will be meeting on Thursday, March 16 at the Friends Meeting House, 103 Marion Road (Route 6) in Mattapoisett from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Members will discuss "Where Do We Go From Here?" All are welcome. For more information, please consult VOTF's website at www.votf.org, or e-mail wsbamb@verizon.net.

ORR Booster Phonathon

The Old Rochester Regional Athletic Booster Club is now holding its Third Annual Phonathon which will continue through the month of March. All residents of Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester are encouraged to respond generously when receiving calls from the students.

During last year's second annual Phonathon, student athletes raised over \$20,000.

Starting this year, student-athletes at ORR will gather on weekday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at ORR High School to make telephone calls to residents in the tri-town area, raising much needed funds on behalf of the Athletic Booster Club. The Booster Club is an all-volunteer organization dedicated to supporting athletics at ORR High School.

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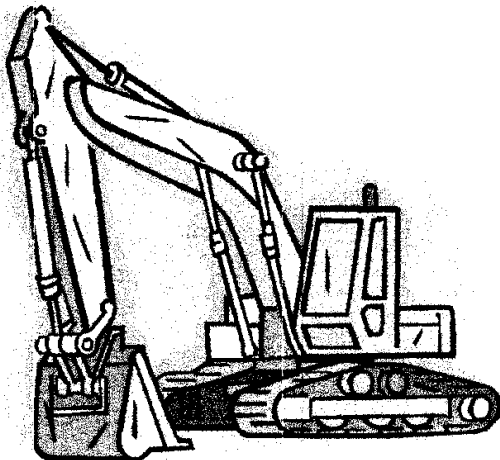
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The ORR Athletic Booster Club meets the first Monday of each month in the ORR High School Library. All residents of the ORR School District are welcome to attend.

Again, please respond generously when receiving calls from the local student-athletes in the coming weeks. Thank you in advance for supporting the Booster Club with your generosity and much-needed support.

Rochester Town Scholarships

Rochester Town Scholarship applications are available to high school seniors who reside in Rochester. Applications can be picked up at Old Colony Regional Vocational High School, Old Rochester Regional High School, the Town of Rochester website (www.townofrochestermass.com), Plumb Library website, and at the Plumb Library. The deadline for applications is April 17, 2006.

Habitat for Humanity

Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity (BBAHFH) became an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International in December of 1996 and represents the towns of Acushnet, Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester and

Wareham. This affiliate is blessed with the many individuals who are eager to assist in our mission to make decent shelter available to as many families as possible in our area.

Currently, the local affiliate is seeking motivated people to join our Board of Directors and help us achieve our mission. Your involvement will help another family move one step closer to realizing their dream of home ownership. Our current Board Members are a dedicated group of people from all walks of life whom share a common bond in their desire to assist others in their community.

The Board develops the policies of Habitat for Humanity as it applies to the affiliate's focus area. Various committees such as the Building and Family Selection Committees, are responsible for the implementation of these policies. We hope you will consider joining our organization. We ask as a Board Member that you attend a monthly meeting held the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at our Habitat office located at 191 Main Street, Suite 209 A in Wareham.

Buzzards Bay Area Habitat for Humanity is currently building a third home which is located at 250 Marion Road in Wareham which is expected to be completed in the spring. We have planned to build four new homes in Wareham during the Summer of 2006. Please feel free to call the office at 508-273-0225 for additional information on our affiliate as well as how you can become a Board

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Please call the Martin Auto School at 508-999-3832 for further information. Registration period for ORR High School students only will be held on Tuesday, March 14 and Wednesday, March 15 in the high school cafeteria from 10:42 to 11:07 am and again from 12:11 to 12:36

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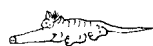
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pm. Those wishing to register for this class who are not students of ORR High School should call the Martin Auto School directly to register. The class will be scheduled to begin on Monday, March 20, 2006. The classes will be held Monday through Thursday at ORR High School in Room 248, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, and run for three-and-a-half weeks.

The course cost is \$230 per person. This includes 30 hours of classroom, six hours behind the wheel, and six hours of observation.

Rochester Yard Sale

Help Rochester support the town's graduating high school students through the second annual Rochester Community Yard Sale. All proceeds from the event will aid the Rochester Town Scholarship Fund, which awards scholarships to deserving high school graduates who are residents of the town.

They need donations of saleable items to make this a worthwhile, fun and memorable event. Please drop off items for donation on April 1, 8, and 22 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at the First Congregational Church on the Town Green. A receipt will be given for items donated.

The Rochester Community Yard Sale will be held on May 6 at the First Congregational Church on the Town Green from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm, rain or shine. They will also have a silent auction for larger items and business contributions.

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Marion Art Center

Steel Magnolias

Reservations are now being accepted for the Marion Art Center's production of *Steel Magnolias* to be presented on March 9, 10 and 11 at 8:00 pm. The play was written by Robert Harding and was a Broadway hit in 1987 before being made into an award-winning movie. The show is funny, uplifting and touching.

The action takes place in a beauty shop in the South known as "Truvy's" (played by Denise Giblin). This is a place where the ladies who are 'anybody' in Chin-quapin, Louisiana, have their hair done including Clairee, a wealthy widow, (played by Cynthia Latham), Ouiser, the town curmudgeon (played by Nancy Havel), Shelby, the prettiest girl in town about to be married, (played by Shannon Farrell) and her mother (played by Deborah Bokelkamp. Truvy's confused assistant is played by Carolynne Fondulis. This accomplished cast is directed by Sheila Furtado.

Tickets are \$12.50 for Marion Art Center members and \$15 general admission. Reservations are recom-

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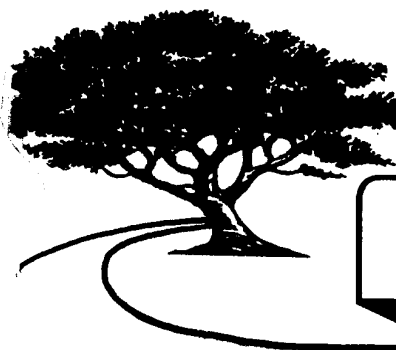
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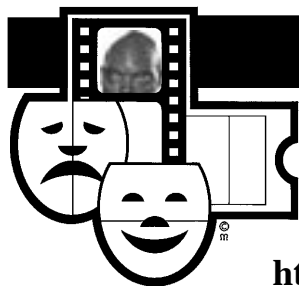
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MOVIE REVIEW

House Party

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Dave Chappelle's Block Party. Starring Dave Chappelle, Kanye West, and the Fugees. Directed by Michel Gondry. Running time: 100 minutes. MPAA rating: R.

Had she lived to see it, I think Pauline Kael, that notoriously hard-to-please film critic, would've loved *Dave Chappelle's Block Party*. After all, she loved the concert films *Stop Making Sense* and *The Last Waltz*, and this new movie deserves to be on the same shelf as those classics. She also loved Richard Pryor, and she might've seen his legacy living on in Dave Chappelle, the quicksilver comic who turns racial tension into farce. Easygoing and levelheaded, despite his highly publicized conflict with Comedy Central over the fate of *Chappelle's Show*, Chappelle isn't so much an angry black man as a humanist who sees the lowdown, raffish humor in people's delusions. (In one of his most famous sketches he played a blind white supremacist who didn't know he was black.)

So when Chappelle pulled together an all-star concert on a Bed-Stuy corner in September 2004, he did it without anything to prove. He had clout now, and a way to get all his favorite musicians together for one eight-hour concert. Like *Stop Making Sense* and *The Last Waltz*, the movie is all about a good time. It's also about inclusiveness. The artists — Kanye West, Mos Def, Erykah Badu, Jill Scott, Dead Prez, the reunited Fugees — are primarily black, with the occasional white session player. But Chappelle, in the footage we see, goes back to his hometown of Dayton, Ohio to hand out free tickets to the concert (including transportation and a night at a hotel), and he approaches people of all races, ages, and genders. Some of them he probably expects to say no, like the middle-aged ladies who run the convenience store, but he just wants to see what they say and how they say it. As it happens, the ladies say yes.

Those who want to see uninterrupted concert footage will probably have to wait for the DVD. Director Michel Gondry (who made 2004's *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind*) cross-cuts between the concert and the process of putting it together. *Dave Chappelle's Block Party* is less about the music than about the *event*. There's a good deal of goofing around between Chappelle and various musicians in rehearsal, and we see Dave doing things like trying on pimp hats or just shooting the



breeze with the famous and nonfamous alike. Gondry brings a caught-on-the-fly style to the footage that nonetheless coheres into something that feels planned, or pre-ordained. Chappelle happens across a college marching band and asks them if they want to play at the concert; soon they're backing up Kanye West for an electrifying, relentless run-through of his "Jesus Walks."

I couldn't honestly tell you what some of the hip-hop artists are saying without looking up the lyrics — the words sprint out in a rat-a-tat Uzi stutter that my ears just couldn't process (I sympathize with the older white guy in the film who says he doesn't dislike rap, he just literally can't hear what they're saying) — but not understanding all the words never stopped anyone from enjoying opera music. What matters is the syncopated joy, despair, love, hate, passion, and everything else that comes pouring out of the performers and their audience. As in the 1981 punk/new-wave concert film *Urgh! A Music War*, the women make themselves heard more clearly; they've worked too hard not to be heard, and singers like Erykah Badu, Lauryn Hill, and especially the volcanic Jill Scott are almost frighteningly precise and powerful. Their segments reminded me of yet another classic concert film, Bert Stern's way-ahead-of-its-time *Jazz on a Summer's Day*, a gorgeous time-capsule record of the 1958 Newport Jazz Festival.

Chappelle says in the film that the block party was the best day of his career. I'm sure it was. Given the pressures that made him flee to Africa and bow out of a third season of *Chappelle's Show*, it makes sense that he wanted to organize this concert (a month or so before he signed the famous \$50 million contract) — it let him just hang out with creative buddies, and it let him be a *fan* again. Most of the time, Chappelle is just another face in the crowd, bobbing his head in time to the beat, nothing on his mind except the music. The movie lets us share in the experience.

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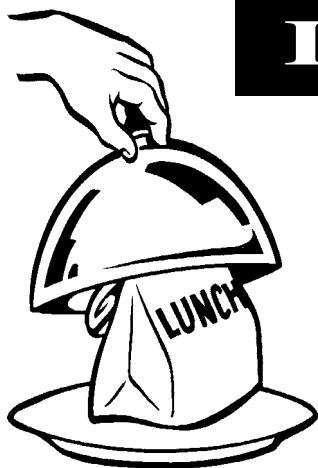
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Tuesday, March 14: Minestrone soup, chicken cacciatore, penne with sauce, Vienna bread, apple.

Wednesday, March 15: Turkey ham with raisin sauce, Lyonnaise potatoes, winter blend vegetables, whole wheat roll, peach cobbler, sugar-free graham wafer.

Thursday, March 16: Mexicali chicken, Spanish rice, sweet potato muffin, pineapple in light syrup.

Friday, March 17: Corned beef hash, carrots with cabbage, raisin bread, holiday cookies, sugar-free graham wafer.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, March 13: Chicken parmesan sub, toasted cheese on whole grain bread, tossed salad, chicken soup, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday, March 14: Chicken Caesar salad wrap, Italian sub (turkey, ham, bologna, salami) chicken noodle soup, baked oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, March 15: Spaghetti with meatballs, garlic bread, turkey sandwich, whole grain bread, tossed salad, soup, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday, March 16: Cheese pizza, tuna pocket, tossed salad, clam chowder, orange slices, milk.

Friday, March 17: HALF DAY: Bagels served.

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, March 13: Chicken parmesan sub, toasted cheese on whole grain bread, tossed salad, chicken soup, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday, March 14: Chicken Caesar salad wrap, Italian sub (turkey, ham, bologna, salami) chicken noodle soup, baked oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, March 15: Spaghetti with meatballs, garlic bread, turkey sandwich, whole grain bread, tossed salad, soup, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday, March 16: Cheese pizza, tuna pocket, tossed salad, clam chowder, orange slices, milk.

Friday, March 17: HALF DAY: Bagels served.

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, March 13: Steak'Um and cheese, potato puffs, corn, mixed fruit.

Tuesday, March 14: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, carrots, cranberry sauce, bread, peaches.

Wednesday, March 15: Chicken vegetable soup, toasted cheese, potato chips, peas, pineapple.

Thursday, March 16: Meatball sub, pasta, green beans, fruit, cookie.

Friday, March 17: Fish sandwich, pizza, French fries, veggie sticks, pears.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, March 13: Chicken parmesan sub, toasted cheese on whole grain bread, tossed salad, chicken soup, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday, March 14: Chicken Caesar salad wrap, Italian sub (turkey, ham, bologna, salami) chicken noodle soup, baked oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, March 15: Spaghetti with meatballs, garlic bread, turkey sandwich, whole grain bread, tossed salad, soup, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday, March 16: Cheese pizza, tuna pocket, tossed salad, clam chowder, orange slices, milk.

Friday, March 17: HALF DAY: Bagels served.

• OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JR. AND SR. HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, March 13: Chicken parmesan sub, toasted cheese on whole grain bread, tossed salad, chicken soup, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday, March 14: Chicken Caesar salad wrap, Italian sub (turkey, ham, bologna, salami) chicken noodle soup, baked oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, March 15: Spaghetti with meatballs, garlic bread, turkey sandwich, whole grain bread, tossed salad, soup, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday, March 16: Cheese pizza, tuna pocket, tossed salad, clam chowder, orange slices, milk.

Friday, March 17: HALF DAY: Bagels served.

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, March 13: Chicken parmesan sub, toasted cheese on whole grain bread, tossed salad, chicken soup, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday, March 14: Chicken Caesar salad wrap, Italian sub (turkey, ham, bologna, salami) chicken noodle soup, baked oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, March 15: Spaghetti with meatballs, garlic bread, turkey sandwich, whole grain bread, tossed salad, soup, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday, March 16: Cheese pizza, tuna pocket, tossed salad, clam chowder, orange slices, milk.

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Failure to Communicate

By Kenneth J. Souza
news@wanderer.com

Watching voters and the Town Moderator haggle earlier this week over whether certain articles on Mattapoisett's Special Town Meeting warrant were worthy of consideration just two months prior to an already planned Annual Town Meeting in May reminded me of the ruthless "Captain" (Strother Martin) in the film *Cool Hand Luke*.

After beating Paul Newman's decidedly rebellious character into submission, Captain lets loose in his swarmy southern drawl: "*What we have here is a failure to communicate.*"

I think that best sums up everything that went wrong with this particular exercise in small-town democracy. *A failure to communicate.*

Not that I think the ultimate result — the premature adjourning of an 18-article warrant after considering just the first five — was necessarily *wrong*, mind you. In fact, let me go on record as saying this was the most *refreshing* thing I've seen in nearly 16 years of covering Mattapoisett politics.

Why, you ask?

Well, because there was some honest-to-goodness *discussion* and *debate* to be had on that Town Meeting floor ... elements of what I consider to be part and parcel of the democratic process. And there was some intelligent, healthy *dissent*, too! People agreed to disagree and it wasn't anything remotely personal or vendetta-based.

For too long I think the idea of democracy in Mattapoisett has been reduced to the same-old, same-old — with everything being handily approved in the same rubber-stamp fashion. Members of past Boards of Selectmen, in particular, have been as different in political philosophies as the Oompa-Loompas in *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. But during this Special Town Meeting it was Selectman Jordan Collyer who dared to be different.

When resident Dan Goodman questioned whether an article would have been on the Special Town Meeting warrant if it weren't for Article 1 — a measure to change the elected Highway Surveyor position to an appointed Superintendent of Streets, which required a 60-day jump on the Annual Town Election to take effect and, in turn, brought the Special Town Meeting

into being — Selectman Collyer simply replied: "No, it wouldn't have ... and it's something, frankly, I'd like to avoid in the future."

Huh? Was that a politician attempting to be honest and admitting this was a mistake?

It used to be that Special Town Meetings were just that: *special*. They were called for emergency fiscal purposes or to cover unanticipated expenses within a given budget cycle. So how did the bulk of these articles being presented to Mattapoisett voters qualify as "emergency items"?

That's where the "failure to communicate" comes in, in my humble opinion.

By contrast, we had the well-meaning but foiled attempts of affable Town Moderator Jack Eklund to keep things moving along when he clearly must have seen the writing on the wall. By the time he flatly denied resident Dan Bungert's repeated attempt to table Article 4, saying "I'm going to rule your motion out of order ... the Board of Selectmen prepared the warrant for tonight's meeting ... and I think your message has been heard loud and clear," I half expected to see that small string quartet last glimpsed on the deck of the *Titanic* pop up and start playing a tune.

What, exactly, did he mean by that?

To these ears, Mr. Bungert's motion was completely in order, appropriate, and perfectly legal — though I don't claim to be a lawyer. In fact, Mr. Bungert had just made a similar motion under Article 3 which was deemed "in order" but failed to pass muster.

It was obviously a bad judgment call on Mr. Eklund's part which ultimately led to voters adjourning the session before completing the warrant.

That the Town Meeting was noticeably stacked with more than a few angry voters, I don't deny. But there's something to be said for those who have steadily watched their taxes skyrocket while similar "special interest groups" have stacked previous Town Meetings in the very same way.

Maybe now it's Joe Taxpayer's turn to finally let out: "I'm mad as *hell* and I'm not going to take it any more!"

Didn't think I'd be able to squeeze in another movie reference before finishing, did you?

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MARION

The following log highlights are for the week of February 26 through March 5, 2006:

- Lewis Street – vandalism/past
- Point Road – animal complaint
- Converse Road – general disturbance
- Mill Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Front Street – adult arrest (warrant, not in possession of license)
- Route 195 East – adult arrest (operating unlicensed motor vehicle, operating unregistered motor vehicle)
- Barros Drive – assist other police department
- Crapo Street – vandalism/past
- Wianno Road – vandalism/past
- Wareham Road – officer wanted
- Prospect Road – assist other police department
- County Road – animal complaint
- Pleasant Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Piney Point Road – animal complaint
- Wareham Road – assist other municipal agency
- Piney Point Road – animal control
- Olde Meadow Road – suspicious activity
- Rezendes Terrace – burglar alarm
- Converse Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Front Street – fire alarm
- Spring Street – general offense.

MATTAPOISETT

The following log highlights are for the week of February 26 through March 5, 2006:

- Hammond Street – adult arrest
- Acushnet Road – violation of protective order
- Long Plain Road – animal control
- Chapel Road – structure fire
- North Street – vandalism
- North Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- North Street – protective custody (adult)
- Marion Road – burglary/breaking and entering into structure
- Juniper Street – ambulance request
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – motor vehicle accident
- Acushnet Road – officer wanted
- Route 195 East – adult arrest (warrant)
- Marion Road – officer wanted
- Acushnet Road – violation of protective order
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – motor vehicle accident
- Reservation Road – intoxicated party
- Randall Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Marion Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Snow Fields Road – property lost
- North Street – suspicious persons/motor vehicle
- Oliver's Lane – suicide attempt
- County Road – recovered stolen property.

ROCHESTER

The following log highlights are for the week of February 28 through March 7, 2006:

- Marion Road – firearms violations
- Snipatuit Road – fire alarm
- North Avenue – ambulance request
- Route 6 – property found/lost/recovered
- Neck Road – animal control
- Snipatuit Road – animal control
- Pine Street – brush fire
- County Road – civil complaint
- Neck Road – animal complaint
- Negus Way – motor vehicle accident
- North Avenue – motor vehicle accident
- Braley Hill Road – motor vehicle accident
- Wolf Island Road – motor vehicle accident
- Rounseville Road – vandalism
- Vaughn Hill Road – domestic disturbance
- Hartley Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Mary's Pond Road – domestic disturbance
- Mattapoisett Road – disturbance
- Ryder Road – assist citizen
- Hiller Road – officer wanted.



* CHANNEL 9 SCHEDULE *

Thursday, March 9, 2006

2:00 PM Army Newswatch
3:00 PM ORCTV Bulletin Board Announcements
4:00 PM Drawing with Dave
6:00 PM After the Storm
7:00 PM Introduction to Tai Chi
8:00 PM Dartmouth Council on aging presents legislative breakfast

Friday, March 10, 2006

2:00 PM ORCTV Bulletin Board Announcements
5:00 PM The Doctor is in
5:30 PM Rochester Equestrian Demonstration
6:00 PM Army Newswatch
6:30 PM Painting with Wild Bill
7:00 PM Marion Selectmen's Meeting

Monday, March 13, 2006

7:00 PM Physician's Focus
7:30 PM P.A.C.E. Monthly
8:00 PM Capitol Perspectives with Senator Edward Kennedy
8:30 PM Commonwealth report with Senator Pacheco
9:00 PM Polish Hour

Tuesday, March 14, 2006

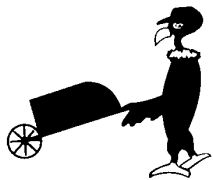
2:00 PM Soundings
3:00 PM Physician Focus
3:30 PM Introduction to Tai Chi
7:00 PM Swept Away TV
7:30 PM After the Storm

8:00 PM Life under a wind turbine
8:30 PM The Best of ORCTV-2003 Rochester Woodsman Show

Wednesday, March 15, 2006

2:00 PM ORCTV Audio Bulletin Board
4:30 PM Rochester Equestrian Demonstration
5:00 PM The Doctor is In
5:30 PM Life under a wind turbine
6:00 PM Army Newswatch
6:30 PM Dartmouth Council on aging presents legislative breakfast

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100th Anniversary

Though the Rochester Grange's official anniversary was February 12, the Grange will be celebrating this milestone on Sunday, April 9, 2006. The afternoon will begin at 2:00 pm with a catered buffet dinner by reservation only. Following the dinner (about 3:00 pm) there will be an open meeting to which everyone is invited. The Grange will look back on its history as well as honor past and present members. The Worthy State Grange Master/President Calvin C. Chase will be the guest speaker. The celebration will conclude with a performance by the very talented Celtic Fiddler Tiffany Rozenas.

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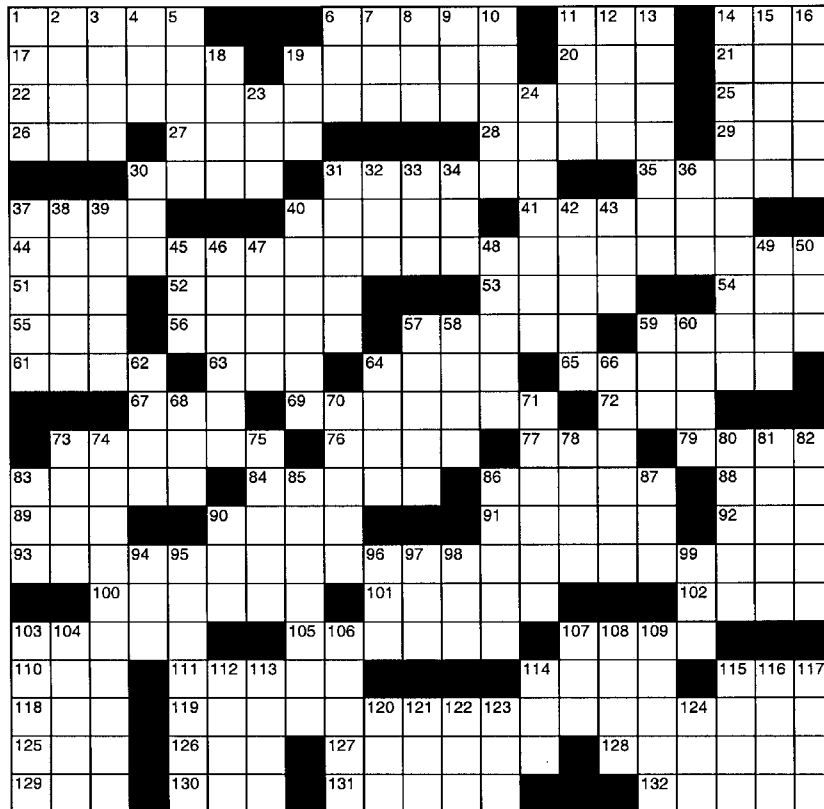
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20 — Baba
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22 Speaker of remark at 44 Across
25 Golfer's gadget
26 Inventor Whitney
27 Playing card
28 Caustic
29 Actress Alicia
30 Spool
31 Karloff's colleague
35 Riyadh's religion
37 Deal with a dragon
40 Iraqi city
41 "Forget it!"
44 Start of remark
51 Bustle
52 Home on high
53 Russian ruler
54 Caviar
- 55 — Branco, Brazil
56 Musical chord
57 Brandy bottle
59 Adds lace
61 London gallery
63 Always, poetically
64 Bucket
65 Monks' milieus
67 Glowing
69 Sharp-shooter
72 Justice Fortas
73 Writer Hilaire
76 Like fine wine
77 Standard
79 Interstate exit
83 Trite
84 Coaxed
86 Laramie and Sumter
88 By means of
89 Inc., in England
90 South African plant
91 Thespian
92 Word form for "bone"
93 Part 2 of remark
- 100 Most competent
101 Produces prunes
102 Jacob's brother
103 Competitor
105 Truly
107 Neatnik's nemesis
110 Important numero
111 Absurd
114 Cry of contempt
115 Summer quencher
118 Capek play
119 End of remark
125 Exist
126 TV's "— Got a Secret"
127 "Dancing at Lughnasa" star
128 Beethoven symphony
129 Spear-headed
130 Dress size
131 Long for
132 Panegyricize

DOWN

- 1 Marseilles mother
2 Adored one
3 Conservative skirt
4 — Saud
5 Baseball's Boyer
6 Brooch
7 "The — and I" ('47 film)
8 Actress Cassidy
9 Miscalculate
10 Couches
11 Boxer Max
12 "— Really Want to Do" ('65 hit)
13 More light-headed
14 Ancient science
15 Actress Verdugo
16 Shimmer
18 Bronte heroine
19 Weldon or Wray
23 Mario — Monaco
24 Reserve
30 Rug type
31 Spiked the punch
32 Dos Passos trilogy
33 Kennel threat
34 Paddle
36 — Tome
37 Hurt
38 Actress Cornell
39 In progress
40 Herding dog
42 1970 World's Fair site
43 Historic org.
45 Make a doily
46 "From — Eternity" ('53 film)
47 Buffalo waterfront
48 Pasta peninsula
49 Refusals
50 — Moines, IA
57 Lost luster
58 Schubert song
59 Recede
60 Mailer's "The — Park"
62 First name in scat
64 Kid at court
66 Hungarian airport composer
68 Unwell
70 Raring to go
71 Distinctive eras
73 British spa
74 Strove
75 Religious sects
78 Comic Johnson
80 Maintains
81 Baryshnikov, familiarly
82 Couturier Jean
83 Diner order
85 Typical
86 Destined
87 — Lanka
90 "Stroker —" ('83 film)
94 Cops' org.
95 Prohibited
96 "Kookie" Byrnes
97 Mispickel or galena
98 "Bah!"
99 Society miss
103 Bucolic
104 Harden
106 Full of gossip
107 Sea plea
108 Rob of "The West Wing"
109 Midwestern airport
112 Church area
113 Prayer finale
114 Seed
115 Dismounted
116 Art —
117 And more of the same
120 Ideologue's suffix
121 Singing syllable
122 "Tell — No" ('65 hit)
123 Female turkey
124 Bagel partner



SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might feel more encouraged about changes in your personal and/or professional life. However, it might be best not to rush things but rather work with them as they evolve.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The Bovine's business sense is especially keen this week. But remember that it's always best to investigate before investing. Make sure there are no hidden factors that can rise up later on.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Working on a family project could create tension between and among those concerned. Your good sense and your patience can help reduce bad attitudes and raise positive feelings.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You should be seeing more progress in the development of your plans and more supporters joining in. News from the past could help change someone's long-held position.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) With personal aspects strong this week, Leos and Leonas might want to spend more time with family and others who are especially close to them. Also expect news of a possible career change.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Taking a strong stand can be helpful this week. But be careful you don't cross the line into obstinacy. Best to take a position on facts as they are, not as you want them to be.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You have a strong sense of the needs of others. This week, turn some of that sensitivity into an honest self-appraisal, and let it find places where you can help yourself.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Creating an emotional comfort zone to handle a personal problem helps at first. But by midweek, you'll realize you need to deal with it directly or it could linger for too long.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Turning the page on a mistake to start fresh might not be the thing to do. Better to go over each step that led up to the decision you made and see which one misled you.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Goats enjoy a varied diet, but eating crow isn't on the menu -- at least not this week. An embarrassing situation might have gone wrong before you got into it. Check it out.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your sense of honesty might impel you to speak up about a situation you disapprove of. That's fine. But do so without sounding accusatory. You might not know all the facts behind it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Being asked to create a reassuring attitude in the middle of chaos isn't easy, but you can do it. Support for your efforts comes slowly, but it does come. Enjoy an arts-filled weekend.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your honesty about people and issues is expressed in a positive, not painful, way.

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ABOVE (l. to r.): Maureen Motley of Rochester, Kelly Barley of Mattapoisett, and Nancy Reed of Marion pose with a copy of *The Wanderer* during a recent trip with the Southcoast Learning Network to Erice, Sicily. The trip was led by Dr. Ben Taggie of UMass Dartmouth. (Photo courtesy of Kelly Barley).



ABOVE: Hope and Zeb Perkins of Mattapoisett pose with a copy of *The Wanderer* during a recent trip to Cartersville, Georgia. (Photo courtesy of Hope Perkins).



ABOVE: Even though he’s just hours old, Zach Steven LeBlanc, son of Mattapoisett Police Officer Craig LeBlanc, has already learned to read *The Wanderer*. Zach was born back on November 11, 2005.



ABOVE: Arlene Calhoun of Newark, SC (far left) and Anne Bowman of Mattapoisett (far right) pose with an unidentified friend and a copy of *The Wanderer* during a recent trip to a mission in Texas. (Photo courtesy of Chris Faunce).

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ORR FORM Concerts

The Friends of Old Rochester Music (FORM) Instrumental Concert is on Thursday, March 9. The FORM Choral Concert will be held on Tuesday, March 14. Both concerts start at 6:30 pm in the gymnasium at ORR High School.

Both the instrumental and choral concert will feature bands from Old Hammondtown School, Sippican Elementary, Rochester Memorial and Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior High Schools. Also appearing will be musical ensembles from Center School (Jean West) and Old Hammondtown (Stan Ellis).

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and seniors, with a \$12 family cap. Tickets are good for both nights. Proceeds from the concerts are to benefit the scholarship fund for graduating music students at ORR High School. At the conclusion of each concert there will be a combined finale of the evening's performers. All are welcome.

Marion Steak Dinner

The Marion Social Club, 44 Pumping Station Road in Marion, will host a Steak Supper on Saturday, March 11. Dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$14 per person and can be purchased by calling Warren at 508-748-2933.

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Adams, Chairman 03/02, 03/09</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICETOWN OF MATTAPOISETT PLANNING BOARD The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public on Monday, March 20, 2006 at 7:40 PM in the Cafeteria at Center School, 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, MA concerning the site application of Jim Lanagan and Roland Valois regarding the proposed site improvements located at Lots #189 and #195 on Assessors Map #5 and Lot #5 on Assessors Map #5, Mattapoisett, MA. Complete plans for the project are on file at the office of the Town Clerk and may be reviewed by any interested party during normal business hours of the Clerk's office. Planning Board 03/02, 03/09</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT LEGAL NOTICE BOARD OF SELECTMEN A public hearing for a Class II license will be held upon the application of business owners, John E. Menezes and Sara H. Audette of Mattapoisett Power Equipment, 3 Church Street Extension, Mattapoisett who are requesting a Class II License for their business located at 3 Church Street Extension. Hearing will be held in the first floor Conference Room of the Mattapoisett Town Hall on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at 6:05 PM. Stephen J. Lombard, Chair Jordan C. Collyer, Vice Chair Raymond H. Andrews 03/02, 03/09</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 15, 2006 at 7:00 PM in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for a Determination of Applicability #41D-1262 submitted by HAROLD B. & JUDITH A. COLE to construct a three-seasons porch addition to the dwelling at 4 Julian Road, Dexter Beach, further identified as Lots 46 & 47 on Marion Assessors' Map 5A. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Jeffrey W. Oakes, Chairman 03/09</p>
	<p>LEGAL NOTICES</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CASE #586 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Thursday, March 30, 2006 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of Jeffrey C. & Suzanne H. Woodworth for a Special Permit under section 6.1.3 of the zoning by-law to allow the removal of an existing brick sidewalk to be replaced with a raised walkway, and the expansion of an existing deck on an existing non-conforming dwelling. The property, located at 11 Spinnaker Lane, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 19 as Lot 273. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 03/09, 03/16</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CASE #587 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Thursday, March 30, 2006 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of the Marion Department of Public Works for a Special Permit under section(s) 5.1.12j, 4.7.8, and 8.3 of the zoning by-law to allow construction of a one million gallon elevated water storage tank. The property, located at 61 Benson Brook Road and Parlowtown Road, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 24 as Lot 6. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 03/09, 03/16</p>

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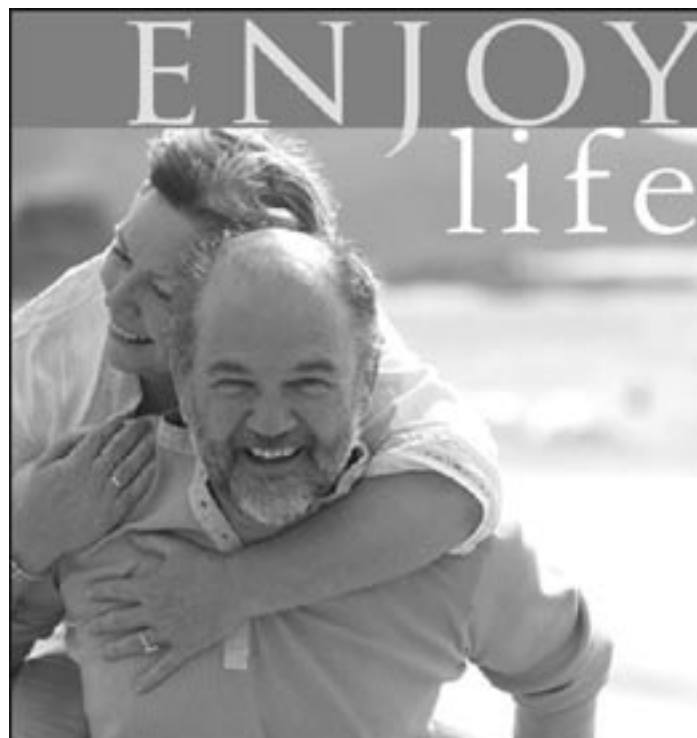


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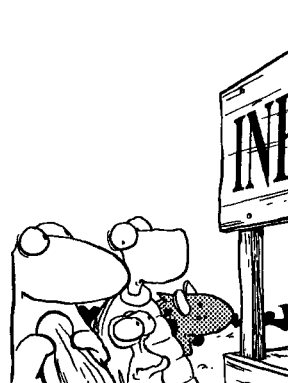
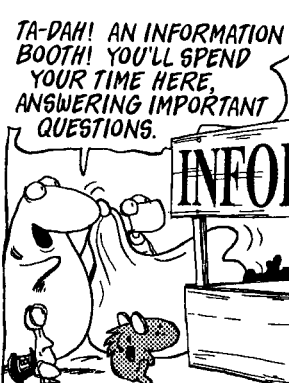
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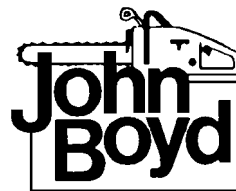
Mattapoisett Town Clerk

Office Hours

The Mattapoisett Town Clerk's office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and on the *second* and *fourth* Tuesday of the month until 6:00 pm.

Census

Census forms have been mailed. When you receive yours, please read it over carefully and make sure that everything is correct. Make any necessary changes, sign and return to this office as soon as possible. The form can either be mailed back, dropped off in the Town Hall or if it is after hours you may place it in the mail slot to the left of the front door of the Town Hall. On the back of your census form is the Dog License Renewal Form, and you can renew your pet's license by mail. Enclose the necessary paperwork if needed, and your check and the 2006 license will be mailed back to you. If you no longer have



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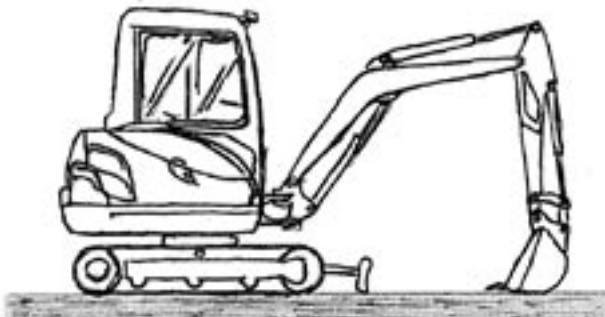
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- Jennifer Cody, Bourne

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- TJ Atchison, Middleboro



Local Tides

Date	Day	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
March 9:	Thurs.	3:59	4:21	10:54	10:02
March 10:	Fri.	5:02	5:16	11:31	10:53
March 11:	Sat.	5:51	6:02	11:58	11:36
March 12:	Sun.	6:30	6:42	...	12:21
March 13:	Mon.	7:05	7:18	12:17	12:47
March 14:	Tues.	7:37	7:51	12:56	1:16
March 15:	Wed.	8:08	8:23	1:34	1:45
March 16:	Thurs.	8:39	8:56	2:11	2:15
March 17:	Fri.	9:13	9:30	2:45	2:44
March 18:	Sat.	9:49	10:07	3:19	3:14
March 19:	Sun.	10:30	10:49	3:53	3:46
March 20:	Mon.	11:16	11:38	4:31	4:23
March 21:	Tues.	...	12:07	5:17	5:09
March 22:	Wed.	12:33	1:06	6:21	6:11
March 23:	Thurs.	1:37	2:11	7:59	7:33
March 24:	Fri.	2:47	3:20	9:26	9:03
March 25:	Sat.	3:58	4:27	10:22	10:17
March 26:	Sun.	5:02	5:26	11:08	11:20

Phases of the Moon	Full Moon	March 14th
	Last Quarter	March 22nd
	New Moon	March 29th
	First Quarter	April 5th



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